

BRIDGEPORT AS IT WAS

100-50-20-YEARS AGO

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ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO.

CONNECTION LEGISLATURE

House of Representatives, A bill introduced by Mr. Tracy to repeal the duties on writs returnable before a single justice passed the house Monday afternoon. A bill introduced by Mr. Tracy providing for the calling of a judge of probate from an adjoining district in certain cases therein specified, passed the house.

A bill introduced by Mr. Tracy providing for the more equal distribution of the school fund among the school districts, so that the school societies by a major vote might distribute to the several school districts in proportion to the number of children and circumstances of the district, was negative.

Messrs. Tracy, D. Burroughs and Huntington advocated, and Messrs. North, Robinson, S. Griswold, Young and T. S. Williams, opposed the passage of the bill.

The advocates contended that the provisions of the bill would enable school societies to distribute to the districts that had many children and very small lists, a greater proportion of the money than they were at present entitled to by law; which would be more conformable to the intentions of the legislature, which was to enable poor parents to give their children the first rudiments of education.

The gentlemen opposed to the bill, admitted that the distribution as provided by law was unequal, but they contended that if this power was given to the school societies it would produce discord and confusion among the societies and districts. The last gentleman suggested that this bill was intended to excite uneasiness in the minds of the people rather than to any real good.

Wednesday—After disposing of some business of minor importance, the session of the West Hartford society praying to be incorporated with town privileges was taken up, and supported by Messrs. E. Burroughs, J. Robinson and E. Coe—and opposed by Messrs. Swann, Staples and Sterling; and on division was rejected 44 to 78.

FIFTY YEARS AGO.

MAJ. BOUDREN'S BOYS

A new military post to be known as Fort Bayard, has been established south, and in the vicinity of the town of Pinos Altos and the Santa Rita copper mines, in New Mexico. The object of this post is to protect the people of that section against the hostilities of the Apaches and other Indians and to aid in the development of that rich mineral and agricultural portion of New Mexico. The post will be garrisoned by companies B and E, United States Fifth Infantry and Company M, United States Third Cavalry.

These soldiers were a part of the many regiments which the late Major Thomas Boudren of this city trained and drilled for the service. The little battalion mentioned above, operating in a territory more than ten times as large as Connecticut, two months later, quickly and quietly suppressed five Indian uprisings in as many parts of the state, rounded up more than 100 Mexican renegade horse and cattle thieves.

Capt. Charles G. Emerson of Derby, Conn., then called Birmingham, was the son of the Civil war postmaster of that place and the company mentioned above. He was a classmate of Gen. George A. Custer and like him sent to the war from West Point a year before he should have graduated.

Thousands of miles of wilderness and desert, roamed by savage beasts and more savage men were apportioned to the captain and his little band to police. He and his "home boys" patrolled that section so well that during their five years stay there it was the most peaceful territory in all the great southwest. Capt. Emerson though a West Point graduate, was a pupil and admirer of Major Boudren, who was a volunteer and self taught soldier.

Capt. Emerson was post adjutant at Fort Bayard during his stay there and he was the hero in Gen. Charles King's story of "Fort Frayne." At the funeral of Gen. U. S. Grant, the horse he was riding suffered an attack of what is known as "blind staggers." It fell with him so suddenly that he died about two months later.

He is buried in Arlington cemetery. The methods he carried out for effectually patrolling the vast territory of New Mexico with a small force of well trained and loyal fighting men, have been successfully copied and by the Texas rangers and the rangers of Arizona and New Mexico as well as the Northwest mounted police in Canada. The system this latter force still uses is identical with that which Major Boudren had mapped out and which Capt. Emerson used. In fact the mounted police patrol by cavalrymen as laid out by the late Major Boudren has been copied into the tactics book of almost every army in the world.

Major Boudren, however, never wrote his ideas into a tactics book and like many other originators he is not given credit for plans he evolved.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

GOLF SATURDAY

The team that the Fairfield County Golf club put up against the team from the Country club Saturday was a little bit too strong for the local players, for they took them into camp to the tune of 29 to 15. The Greenwich players made amends for their treatment of the Bridgeport players by entertaining Young Patterson & Co. (feated George Patterson 12 up, 4 and was the greatest individual victory, and Mr. Phelps holds the record at his club. The score Saturday was as follows: Greenwich, Phelps, 0; Sayer, 0; E. Curtis, 2; Dr. Martin, 11; J. M. Martin, 3; Cox, 5; J. Curtis, 8; total, 22.

Bridgeport, Patterson, 12; Pearlall, 3; F. Sanford, 0; N. W. Bishop, 0; Cogswell, 0; W. B. Wheeler, 0; Knapp, 0; total, 15.

BASEBALL IN NEW HAVEN

New Haven, Oct. 11.—A plan is underfoot to change an eastern league team to this city next season. A number of prominent business men are at the head of the movement, and have

HOUSING CO.'S CAPITAL READY TO GO TO WORK

With Manufacturers Clamoring for Stock, Venture About to Be Launched

The Bridgeport Housing Co. now has ample financial resources to complete any of the projected plans for immediate housing of Bridgeport's needed mechanics.

Sufficient land has been ordered purchased in various sections of Bridgeport to care for at least 1,000 families, with tentative acceptance of a large tract of the Remington city land holdings, ready for immediate improvement to care for predicted industrial growth in the East End.

The tracts taken by the Housing company are: The Hobbepot property on Galloway road and other small adjoining properties in the town of Fairfield, adjacent to the Handy & Harman factory, of which H. H. DeLoss, president of the Housing company is head.

One hundred thousand square feet of land on the corner of Connecticut and Carroll avenues, purchased by Walter B. Lashar for development, but turned over to the Housing company.

A small lot on the corner of Renell and Atlantic streets, destined for the nucleus of large purchases for land in that section to care for South End factory workers.

What probably will be the biggest development of the company is now a matter of consideration between the Housing company's officers and Marcellus Dodge, who has offered a big part of the East End holdings in Remington city to the company. The matter of purchase price, which involves many thousands of dollars, is not definitely settled upon but it is believed by those in close touch with the affairs of the company to be a matter of days now before the conclusion is reached. If present plots and plans are accepted, the Housing company will have a big part of the Remington Arms & Ammunition Co., to guide them, immediate building operations in that vicinity may be started.

It is the aim to begin actual work at once, contractors already being sought to estimate upon work. It is hoped to have one large company undertake the whole operation upon a basis that will save for the Housing company that difference in profit which would be lost employing many builders. A percentage agreement most likely will be reached between the housing company and the contractors, a host of whom are now in this city clamoring for some of the business.

Charles G. Sanford, president of the First-Bridgeport National bank and active head of the financing arrangements of the Housing company to day signified that the factories in Bridgeport undoubtedly will subscribe all of the capital stock of the Housing company without the necessity of public subscription. Several large subscriptions, as previously noted in the Farmer, have been followed by other offers to take up large blocks of the stock. Factories generally in Bridgeport have clamored for shares in the company because of the privileges attached and it may be necessary to curtail the larger subscriptions in order to accommodate the smaller interest and avoid acrimonious feeling.

Another plan that is now receiving consideration is the increase in the capital stock, part of which could be offered to public subscription.

"We have today all the available capital that we need for immediate building operations," said Mr. Sanford. This statement is not to be taken that all the money to be needed for additional building necessary for Bridgeport's future growth has been subscribed, but rather that the company is now able to forge rapidly ahead with ample credit extensions for normal business needs.

President H. H. DeLoss, of the Housing company, George Gove, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, F. C. Blanchard, general manager of the Housing company and others interested in civic movement visited the fifth annual convention of the Good Housing association at Providence today.

OUR LANGUAGE

"What made Bilson go up in the air?"

"He claims he was thrown down."

—Boston Transcript.

A DANGER

De man dat worries foh fear he's doing too much work," said Uncle Eben, "is mighty liable to keep wantin' mo' an' mo' time off to do his worryin' in."

—Exchange.

City Purchases Plot

In East Bridgeport

Deeds have been recorded at the town clerk's office transferring the property at Alice and Beers streets from the Bridgeport Land & Title Co. and Earl N. Patterson to the City of Bridgeport. Part of the property will be used for a public playground. Another part eventually may be used as a site for a school, an addition to Shelton school. The price for the land was \$5,500.

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KNOCKING WILL LOSE VOTES FOR HUGHES IN WEST

Secretary McAdoo Sees Booming in Statements Made by Candidate.

New York, Oct. 11.—Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo called on Chairman McCormick of the Democratic National Committee today and made a most optimistic report on conditions in the West.

"I have recently been in Kansas, Nebraska, Mo., Ill., Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky," said he. "Everywhere I found an extraordinary sentiment for the President. The wonderful prosperity of the country, the fact that peace has been preserved with honor, and that the calmness, poise, vision, courage and intelligence of the President gives assurance of the continuation of these happy conditions, is bringing to his support vast numbers of people regardless of party ties."

"The West is intensely patriotic, admirably fair in its judgments, full of the spirit of progress and is not fooled by the rant and denunciation of political orators. There is, in fact, a very definite resentment among the masses of the people against the unfair, vindictive and unjust criticism of the President."

"The western people detest 'knockers' and the Republican campaign is simply a knocking campaign. The people of the middle West also know that under the name of Hughes there is the secret and insidious control of the Old Guard, who have always run the government, when they have controlled it, in the interest of a special group who have dominated the finances and business of the country and have consistently disregarded the interests of all the people."

Motorist Fined In Common Pleas Court For Speeding Auto

For driving his automobile at a reckless pace in Fairfield avenue, while he was intoxicated, Thomas Aiken was fined \$10 and costs by Judge Walsh in the criminal court of common pleas yesterday. The costs amounted to \$23.11. Following his arrest on July 20 last, Aiken fled a demurrer in the city court but this was overruled. Thereupon he appealed. He paid the fine today.

The court also imposed a fine of \$75 on Thomas Perosky, charged with assault. In the city court the accused was fined \$1 and costs and sentenced to jail for 30 days.

The case of Diola Jones of Stamford, charged with theft from the person, was nolle.

CAMPAIGN FUND LISTS SHOW WILSON TO BE POPULAR CANDIDATE

New York, Oct. 11.—That President Wilson is essentially the popular candidate was demonstrated in a substantial manner at Democratic National Headquarters today. Henry Morgan, chairman of the Finance Committee, made public a list of the contributors to the campaign fund for the day, showing that fifty-five hundred persons had sent in \$35,309 to help redress the President.

These contributions came from every State in the Union. Practically all of the sums contributed ranged from \$5 to \$10. The largest sum, on the list was one of \$1,000, and the smallest \$1.

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WILSON GAINING STRENGTH DAILY IN WISCONSIN

Hughes' Milwaukee Address Proved a Very Bitter Disappointment.

Madison, Wis., Oct. 11.—Indications in the New York Herald's poll that Wisconsin is leaning strongly towards Wilson were in no sense news here. The Wisconsin State Journal analyzes the situation as follows:

"That Hughes is daily losing strength in Wisconsin cannot be denied. Time is adding to the strength of the President. A combination of circumstances has had much to do with the present condition of affairs. The big outstanding fact is that the recent visit of Hughes to the State was a frost. His Milwaukee speech was a disappointment."

"The whole Hughes visit was handled in such a way as to provoke opposition instead of support. It was a standpoint affair from start to finish. The things that Hughes said in Wisconsin were also arguments that will not do him any good. His eight-hour discussion and his view with reference to the tariff made no appeal to Wisconsin Progressives. The Germans of the State are not flocking to the Hughes standard in the numbers expected. The story that Roosevelt, in the event of Hughes' election, will be made Secretary of State, has done much to rile the Germans. The big industrial centers are for Wilson. The entire railroad vote will be for Wilson. The whole trend in Wisconsin today is for Wilson. Those in charge of the Hughes campaign know it, but they are helpless in their efforts to stop it."

RECORD POLL OF VOTES EXPECTED FOR WILSON IN STATE OF NEW YORK

New York, Oct. 11.—"President Wilson will poll more votes in New York State than ever before given a Democratic nominee for President," said Patrick E. McCabe, Democratic leader of Albany County today. "The sentiment for President Wilson up through the state exceeds anything I have ever seen. The people are for the President because he has kept the country out of the terrible European war and in a prosperous condition."

Secretary George Van Namee of the Democratic State Committee and Chairman of the Jefferson County Committee, says,—"Republican farmers in every part of my country are announcing that they are going to vote for President Wilson. On one country road, I know of fourteen farmers who are Republicans who will vote for the President. The tide is all one way."

HIT BY AUTO, SHE SUES

To recover damages for injuries received when she was struck by an automobile, Catherine Mullen of Greenwich, has brought suit in the common pleas court against Elizabeth P. Emery and Gordon Nichols of Greenwich. She says the defendant's machine struck her as she was crossing the street. A fracture of her thigh and other injuries of a permanent character are alleged to have resulted from the collision. The action calls for \$1,000 damages.

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Power Propelled Vehicles.

Experiments in power propelled vehicles date back to 1770, when Joseph Cugnot, a French engineer, built the first automobile. He constructed a steam automobile that hauled two and one-half tons three miles per hour, and this vehicle is still preserved in form of a model in France. In 1802 the first practical steam automobile was built by Richard Trevithick of England, using a crank shaft for the first time and driving by gears from the engine to the road wheels. In 1821 Julius Griffiths of England gave us the first comfortable steam vehicle, the first vehicle to have a coach design of body, with seats carried on springs, as we know them today. In 1831 Sumners & Ogle of England built a three wheel tubular boiler and two cylinder engine, which attained a speed of thirty-two miles per hour. The first motor vehicle to regularly carry passengers for hire was built by Walter Hancock of England in 1834. The motive power was steam.—New York Times.

Eye of the Gun.

This is called the telescope and is used by all artillerymen in some shape or other. The telescope is really a tube with two telescopic lenses, one on each end. The "objective" of the two lenses are placed inside the instrument and toward the end of the tube. Prisms with five faces act as reflectors, so that the person looking in has mechanically spread his eyes to the two ends of the tube, with a tremendous range of vision.

Of course the ends are so arranged that they may be directed at a single object at the same time, thus making it possible for the observer to see what would otherwise be beyond the power of the human eye and to know by the angle at which it is viewed the distance away.

It requires a little practice to use this wonderful instrument, but in a few days the operator ascertains how easily he can determine the precise distance he is from the object he is looking at, and by a quick calculation he directs the pointing of the gun so that it cannot fail to strike at the desired spot.—Pearson's Weekly.

Indorsement Guaranteed. "Of course you have an echo some where around the place," said Miss Cayene.

"A number of them," replied the hotel man. "Shall I direct you to them?" "I don't want one for myself. There is a man in the party who insists on being absolutely agreed with every time he says a word."—Washington Star.

Concerning Ideals.

"So you are engaged?" "Yes, auntie." "And are you satisfied with it, ideal, my dear?" "Well, I can hardly be otherwise, auntie, dear. He says I am one of them."—Exchange.

The Only One Lacking.

"Why are you so sure there is no such thing as a fourth dimension?" "Because," replied the discouraged fat man, "if there was I'd have a head."

Stays.

In 1614 stays were introduced into costumes of gentlemen to keep the doublet straight and confine the waist.